

## Message Text

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P 111940Z MAR 77  
FM AMEMBASSY ASUNCION  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 9601

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE ASUNCION 1005

E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: SHUM, PA  
SUBJ: SIXTY-FOUR POLITICAL PRISONERS RELEASED

REF: ASUNCION 0851

1. EMBASSY JUST GIVEN LIST OF 64 POLITICAL  
DETAINEES RELEASED MARCH 11. ACCORDING TO EMBASSY  
RECORDS, MOST OF THOSE RELEASED WERE ARRESTED IN  
APRIL AND MAY OF LAST YEAR FOR SUSPECTED INVOLVEMENT  
WITH THE OPM TERRORIST ORGANIZATION.

2. TO THE BEST OF OUR KNOWLEDGE, THIS IS BY FAR THE  
LARGEST SINGLE RELEASE OF PRISONERS IN SEVERAL YEARS.  
IT BRINGS THE TOTAL RELEASED SINCE SEPTEMBER, 1976, TO  
146; 92 OF WHICH WERE FREED AFTER DEC. 31. EMBASSY  
ESTIMATES TOTAL NUMBER OF POLITICAL PRISONERS NOW WELL  
BELOW 300.  
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## Message Attributes

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